

SARAH E. DAUB.

JANUARY 26, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 8137.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions having considered the bill (H. R. 8137) granting a pension to Sarah E. Daub report thereon as follows:

Sarah E. Daub, the beneficiary of this bill, was married in 1864 to Nathan Foreman, who served in Company A, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, from August 31, 1861, to February 7, 1863, when he was discharged on account of "functional disease of heart and general debility contracted in the service." He again enlisted January 4, 1864, in Company B, One hundred and eighty-third Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was again discharged for disability (cause not shown) July 8, 1865. He again enlisted May 15, 1866, in Troop C, Second United States Cavalry, and was killed in battle with Indians, December 21, 1866. The widow drew pension until June 6, 1867, when she was remarried to one George W. Daub, who had enlisted September 16, 1861, in Company F, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and reenlisted as a veteran volunteer January 1, 1864, for three years. He was tried by court-martial and found guilty of absence without leave and of conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline in that he did write and sign a false certificate on the United States Sanitary Commission.

He was confined at Clinton Prison, Dannemora, N. Y., until February 27, 1865, when he was released, the term of his sentence having expired. After his release, instead of returning to his command, which continued in service until July 27, 1865, he enlisted in Company E, One hundred and ninety-third New York Volunteer Infantry, under the name Charles De Epenell, March 7, 1865, only one week after his release from confinement, and served until honorably mustered out with his command January 18, 1866, a sergeant. He is considered by the War Department as a deserter from Company F, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, inasmuch as it is not shown that his reenlistment was not for the purpose of securing bounty. George W. Daub died September 13, 1893, from aneurism of the aorta, not shown to be due to service.

This widow is now dependent. She was the wife of Foreman while he was in the service and when he was killed, and as Daub's service is

clouded, so that technically she has no title on account of his service, it is the opinion of this committee that her pension as the widow of Foreman should be renewed, and it is therefore recommended that the bill be amended by striking out all after the name "Sarah E. Daub," in line 5, and inserting in lieu thereof "formerly widow of Nathan Foreman, late a private in Company A, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Infantry, Company B, One hundred and eighty-third Pennsylvania Infantry, and Troop C, Second United States Cavalry, and pay her a pension of \$12 per month," and that as amended it do pass.

